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Old-Fashioned State Fair. Greatest Race Meet Ever Held in Virginia.

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Entries from the Crack Racing Stables of the Country.

Seven Thousand Dollars to be Distributed in Purses to the Winners.

Unusually Liberal Premium List in Every Department.

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The Race Meet will be by long odds the most important event ever attempted in Virginia.

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**2 Trotting and Pacing.**

**2 Running Races.**

**1 Steeple Chase.**

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Entries from the crack racing stables of the East.

### As a Night Attraction, The Richmond Horse Show

The only Horse Show that compares with that of New York. Finest blooded horses, harness and saddle, from everywhere. Magnificent vehicles and equipment.

**The Greatest  
Social Function  
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Exceptionally liberal money premiums for the following breeds of cattle:

**Aberdeen, Angus,  
Red Pollard,  
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Friesian Jersey,  
Guernsey,  
Dutch Belted,  
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### Dairy Products

will be a feature of the exhibition. These are included in the Pure Food Exhibits, which will be largely featured in the interest of the PURE FOOD MOVEMENT.

### The Art Dep't.

Modeling, Painting, Needle Work, Drawing and Designing. Art in its every practical feature.

Prepared Foods, from the home kitchen to the big manufactory, will have place in the allotment of awards.

### Large Money Prizes to Prize Winners

in every class of American Domestic Poultry. American standard of perfection to govern.

**All Breeds,  
Including Pigeons**

Farm Produce of all kinds—Grain, Seed, Hops, Vegetables, Bees and Honey.

### FRUITS.

Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, etc.

**Machinery, Farm Implements, &c.**

### Special Features.

In the line of special features the management has made every effort to make this Fair an exact reproduction of the

**Famous  
Old-Fashioned  
Fairs,**

so well remembered by old Virginians. There'll be fun and plenty of amusement at this Fair, and diversions sufficient to satisfy everybody.

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## The Virginia State Fair Association, Inc., - Richmond, Virginia.

### A FACTORY HAND HEIR TO MILLIONS

James A. Corbitt Receives Advices of the Death of a Multi-Millionaire Uncle.

QUITS HIS JOB TO INVESTIGATE

Has Employed Attorneys and Will Go to San Francisco to Claim Money.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
DURHAM, N. C., July 31.—James A. Corbitt, who has been connected with the tobacco factory in this city as a laborer for several months, hears from his relatives in San Francisco that he has inherited a fortune of \$21,000,000. The young man received several letters, and he believes that the matter is true. He says that he knows that his uncle, Daniel A. Corbitt, was immensely rich, and that his estate, which is valued at \$20,000,000, would be inherited by him, his sister and brother. He has employed attorneys of this city, and is preparing to go to San Francisco, where he will claim his share.

Corbitt says he knew where his uncle lived, in San Francisco, in a \$2,000,000 mansion, and even located the place on the map.

During the Spanish-American War he enlisted in the army, served in the Philippines, and since then has been roving about the country. Regarding his brothers and sisters, he says that one brother lives in South Dakota, one in Birmingham, Eng., and a sister, who is married, lives in Milwaukee.

As soon as Corbitt received the letters he quit his job at the factory on the strength of his expectations, and began to prepare to make the trip to San Francisco. The matter has created much interest

among many people, and it will be thoroughly investigated.

### SPENCE REFUSED BAIL.

His Companion Claimed He Shot in Self-Defense.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BALTIMORE, N. C., July 31.—In a habeas corpus hearing to-night before Chief Justice Clark, of the Supreme Court, the Judge declined to admit to bail Everett Spence, the young farmer, who shot to death Walter Chavis, colored, in front of the Hollins meeting house in the eastern part of the city last Wednesday night. The evidence tended to show that Spence and his companions were drunk, and were avowedly out for the purpose of painting East Raleigh road, Everett Spence is only seventeen years old, while two of his companions were well past middle age.

Three men claim that the negroes were attacking them when the negro was shot by Spence.

### UNLUCKY TRAIN.

Two Accidents During the Day's Run.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SALISBURY, N. C., July 31.—Passenger train No. 30 eastbound from Knoxville to Salisbury suffered two small wrecks today. The side rod of the engine broke when on a bridge at the foot of a mountain near Old Fort, and a serious catastrophe was narrowly averted on account of the locomotive becoming unmanageable for a time.

As the train pulled into Salisbury three hours late the engine collided head on with a shifter, in which several cars and an engine were badly smashed. The passengers were also badly shaken up, and many windows in the observation car broken.

### Foul Play Suspected.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
SPENCER, N. C., July 31.—Spencer has been considerably stirred during the past few days on account of the mysterious disappearance of a stranger who came here two weeks ago, giving his name as a Mr. Moore, of Oregon. The stranger, who was a mechanic, secured a position at the Southern shops here, and put up at the Spencer Inn, where he insisted on paying his board a month in advance. The next day he left his room with his baggage open and clothing strewn over the room, and has not been seen since. He was supposed to be at work, but it was found that he had not appeared at

the shops. It was known that he carried considerable money, and foul play is feared. Mr. Moore, who was about twenty-five years of age and of gentle appearance, came to Spencer from Sacramento, Cal., where he was at the time of the San Francisco earthquake. All efforts to locate him have thus far been fruitless.

### New Hospital.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 31.—The elders and deacons of the Presbyterian and Association Reformed Churches of this city last night took preliminary steps to build a new \$50,000 hospital to take the place of the present Presbyterian Hospital, the lease on which expires April 1, 1907.

### Bound Over for Trial.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., July 31.—Gerrit Thompson, the young white boy charged with furnishing his brother, Robert, with saws by which Robert made his escape from jail Sunday, was bound over for trial today.

### New Secretary for Chamber.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
GREENSBORO, N. C., July 31.—Out of twenty applicants for the secretaryship of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Directors to-night selected R. M. Phillips, secretary of the Raleigh Chamber, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Secretary Newman.

### AUDITORIUM IS MUCH DISCUSSED

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shall be purchased by the city, taken in nearly the half of two blocks. Three-fourths of the property, as shown in the plans prepared by Mr. Charles H. Bryant, architect, now belongs to the city, and the rest of the property needed could be purchased at a very moderate cost. The building which is suggested could be put up at a cost of about \$225,000, and it would give the city an auditorium which would compare favorably with any in the South, and be something very like the auditorium in Cincinnati and St. Louis. Its design would be as handsome and ornate as the money allowed for the purpose could make it; and, to add to its structural beauty, the building would be fitted with the very latest in advance, on Broad Street, with also two entrances on Sixth Street and one on Clay Street.

Referring to the favorableness of the locality; it is the most advantageously situated of any in the city of Richmond. It is in close touch with all the streets, lines, it is but a short distance removed from the Manchester cars and the Northside lines, and the entire block, through Sixth Street and round Clay Street, could be enclosed in a loop of car lines that would give standing space to a large number of cars to be held in readiness for the express of members of conventions. For this purpose there is, perhaps, no place in Richmond so admirably situated. Were the city to join hands with the Confederate Memorial Association and accept the offer of \$200,000 for the construction of an auditorium and a Battle Abbey for a memorial of the Lost Cause, an offer which had not yet been officially considered by the Council, the rest of the Broad Street frontage up to Sixth Street could be acquired, and a grouping of buildings could be erected that would be incomparably the finest in the Southland, of the handsomest and most ornate design and a structure of which the city might justly be proud.

It would meet every need to which the

city might wish to put it for any length of time, and, as a memorial of the Lost Cause, it could not be surpassed.

### Various Suggestions.

Going more into the detail of the plan, the site, as has been shown, is almost exactly centrally located. It would have every facility of street car line; it could be used as the Second Market, and used for the headquarters of the police. The idea, in to acquire enough property on Marshall Street to make the plot on the south side of Marshall Street balance with that now belonging to the city on the north side of the same street, and running back to Pink Alley, so as to give a plot 100 feet wide by 300 feet long. It is proposed also to purchase the lots Nos. 8 and 4, facing Broad Street, for a handsome arcade entrance, and to buy a lot 88 feet wide, running back to Clay Street, so as to give another entrance on that side. The building would span Marshall Street, and give a two more entrances to the auditorium from Sixth Street. It would not in any way interfere with the market, which would be preserved intact; and the whole space would be always open, clean and sanitary.

Another suggestion has been put in the shape of an ordinance and so offered in the sub-committee by Mr. T. H. Elliott. This is that the auditorium shall be built above the Third Market at Linden and Cary Streets. This idea has, however, met with comparatively little support, as it has been pointed out that such a structure, with all the needs and requirements that it would demand, would be a physical impossibility. The place is practically inaccessible, as it is for from regular car line service; and as it is only 125 feet by 165 feet, it is said to be too small for the purpose. It is also said that it would be a practical impossibility to erect thereon a building having the proper acoustic qualities, and a prominent architect of the city, when asked for his opinion, said that he would never undertake the work. This idea, though it was offered, perhaps, in the best of faith, has been practically abandoned from the minds of those working on various plans, and favorable opinion is generally centering around the plan offered by Captain Masurier. Many people, who were at first adverse to the very idea, have since been brought round to view it in a more favorable light, and there seems to be a popular wave of opinion in favor of adopting the scheme.

### Mayor Favors It.

Mayor McCarthy, in speaking of the plan yesterday afternoon, said that he would favor it heartily, though he is not much impressed with the site and the general character of the building. He is proposed to erect, as he is more than anxious that the city shall be supplied with an auditorium which will be adapted to all the needs that may arise.

"I am in favor of an auditorium, and I shall not oppose any scheme. Only let there be an auditorium," said the Mayor.

The principal objections which Mayor McCarthy advanced were that he thought the building would not be of sufficient architectural beauty as to be worthy of the city, and that he disliked the idea of having the market directly underneath, whence all the odor of meats and vegetables would arise to the rooms above.

He would much prefer to see an auditorium that would be entirely separate from any other building, and of sufficient size and beauty and architecture as to be a permanent adornment to the city. However, it is said that if the offer of the

Confederate Memorial Association were accepted, these objections could be met and such a building as he would like to see be erected. Notwithstanding, the Mayor is too earnest in his desire to see an auditorium built ever to offer any objection to the proposed site or in any way to put an obstacle in the path towards its final construction, at whatever site.

Alderman W. T. Dabney is also heartily in favor of the scheme, and Mr. James Gordon has expressed the same views. Others have forward and stated that they hope to see a successful outcome of the plan.

The sub-committee, of which Captain Masurier is chairman, appointed to look into the matter, is now only awaiting the offer of plans and specifications from the architects. So far only one has been placed in the hands of City Engineer Cuthaw; this for the proposed building at Third Market at \$30,000. It is said that this would be simply throwing money away, as the structure would be meant for only temporary use and would be for only temporary use and would be for only temporary use and would be for only temporary use.

### Keysville Affairs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
KEYSVILLE, VA., July 31.—Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Marion Herley, daughter of Geo. W. Herley, of Raleigh Creek to Mr. Drury Gaudin, of Keysville, August 31st, at Rough Creek Church.

Mrs. C. A. Hunt has returned from the Press Association at Boston, Mass.

Arrangements are being made for a farmers' grand rally for the organization of tobacco-growers. Speeches will be made and a big dinner of lamb stew, etc., served. The will be next month.

Miss Gregory.

Miss Fitzgerald, of Roanoke, is with Mrs. Powell.

Miss Lillian Saunders, of Graham, Va., is with Miss Margaret Priddy.

Miss Saunders has a beautiful voice and makes everybody bright and glad with her singing and charming ways.

### AUTO DASHES AT HIGH SPEED INTO IRON BRIDGE

The Machine Destroyed and Eugene Cannon Perhaps Fatally Hurt.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 31.—Shortly before midnight last night, Mr. Eugene Cannon, a son of Mr. J. W. Cannon, one of the best-known cotton manufacturers in North Carolina, received injuries in an auto accident at Concord, which will probably prove fatal. While running at the rate of fifty miles an hour, his machine dashed into the Buffalo Creek iron bridge, in the edge of town, and was demolished.

A young lady, Miss Edwards, who was riding with him on the front seat, was bruised considerably, but was able to crawl to the depot nearby and give the alarm.

Mr. Cannon was found pinned in the machine in an unconscious condition, from which he has not recovered. His skull is fractured, and it is believed that he sustained internal injuries.

### BRIEF ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE

FULTON, N. Y.—A man, woman and three children were drowned, their boat being capsized in a squall.

ROME.—An archaeologist addressed a letter to the Pope, urging upon him to open the tomb of St. Peter and settle doubts as to the existence of the grave.

LONDON.—The education bill passed a third reading in the House of Commons, and will now go to the House of Lords.

MADISON, WIS.—Robbed and murdered, Joseph D. Hardin, a Jeweler, was found in the woods near Madison, having been missing a week.

LAKEVIEW, O.—While starting a fire Mrs. G. H. Berry, sister of Bishop Berry, of the Methodist Church, ignited her own dress and died.

PHILADELPHIA.—A Russian boy of fifteen, brought to this country by the Cunard Steamship Company, was instructed, he says, and a consequence wandered, hungry and homeless, thirteen days. His friends will sue the company.

DETROIT.—Apparently the victim of old age, Harry Mitchell, seventy years old, and one of Buffalo Bill's acrobats when fighting for the government, was found dead at his home.

PALMER LAKE, COL.—James H. Williams, a section hand, drowned himself because eleven-year-old Doris Collins refused to marry him.

SANTANDER, SPAIN.—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria left here for Cowes on the royal steam yacht Osiris.

LONDON.—Italy is building a battleship which is as great an advance upon the English Dreadnought as the latter is upon her predecessors.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Tramps waylaid Edward

Groff, of South Bethlehem, near the Susquehanna River, shot him in the abdomen, robbed him of \$15, and tossed his unconscious body into the canal.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—George T. Oliver, wealthy Pittsburgh newspaper owner and financier, is seriously ill at Coburg, Ontario.

CHICAGO.—No quivering, uncertain note sounds in the media romance of Carl Bunge, the well known orchestra leader. Bunge, who professes to be forty, looks fifty, and is seventy years old, has taken to himself a bride. The octogenarian of his life thus far, has run through only seventeen numbers.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Condemned murderers, "Bud" Williams and Cornelia Lomax, sentenced now awaiting death in the county jail on September 6th, have decided to shoot a game of traps to decide which shall take precedence over the other on the fatal day.

ST. LOUIS.—Flourishing between life and death, the balance always first in one direction and then in the other, Miss Maude Johnston, of East St. Louis, lies at her home with two ardent suitors at her bedside watching the outcome of the fight to save her life.

HAMBURG, PA.—In the most furious electric storm this section has had in years, lightning in the house of Mrs. Catherine Swartz, at Centreport, rolled up the almost undamaged carpet in one room and tore to shreds the oil cloth in another.

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The best bargain ever offered.
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